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## **Cleveland Chief of Fire Patrick J. Kelly Retiring after 33 Years**

CLEVELAND –Chief of Fire Patrick J. Kelly is retiring from the Cleveland Division of Fire after serving the City of Cleveland for 33 years.

“Chief Patrick Kelly served the City of Cleveland faithfully and with distinction rising through the ranks from the position as an apprentice and achieved the highest rank as Chief of Fire,” said Mayor Frank G. Jackson. “I want to thank him and his family for their dedication and service. There is no higher calling and no more rewarding work than public service and Chief Kelly has worn this mantle well making the Division of Fire better and leaving a legacy for which he can be proud.”

Chief Kelly joined the Division of Fire in 1982 as an apprentice. Nearly a decade later, he was awarded the Medal of Valor for rescuing a man from an apartment fire.

He was promoted to lieutenant in 1993 and later earned the rank of captain in 1997, before he became battalion chief in 2001. Chief Kelly then served as the division’s assistant chief until December 3, 2013 when he was promoted to Chief of Fire. Kelly’s retirement is effective September 21, 2015.

An interim Fire Chief will be selected in the near future.